

January 23, 1992 LB 560, 643

opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 560.

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 560 advances. We'll now go to LB 643.

CLERK: LB 643, Mr. President, introduced by Senator Pirsch. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 23 of last year, referred to Judiciary, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. This bill amends Section 28-377, which deals with access to abuse and neglect records of Adult Protective Service, and Section 28-726, which deals with abuse and neglect records of Child Protective Services, and that would provide access to the Nebraska Advocacy Services to those records. Nebraska Advocacy Services is the agency designated by this state as the protection and advocacy system for people with significant mental or physical disabilities, and when acting upon a complaint received from or on behalf of a person with developmental disabilities or mental illness. This bill would provide that they would have access to those records so they could assist those people. The Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, of which I am a member, the Department of Social Services, and Nebraska Advocacy Services all testified in favor of the bill. And presently the Nebraska Advocacy Services and the Department of Social Services have an access to records agreement, so this would continue that and allow the Nebraska Advocacy Service to do what they were contracted to do. With that, thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Anyone wishing to discuss the advancement of LB 643? Seeing no one, Senator Pirsch, do you wish to close? Waives closing. We will now vote on the advancement of LB 643. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We're voting on the advancement of 643. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 643.